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20-TF-0075 REISSUE

Mr. Jeffrey J. Lyon, Tank Systems Operations and Closure Project Manager Nuclear Waste Program Washington State Department of Ecology 3100 Port of Benton Blvd. Richland, Washington 99354

Dear Mr. Lyon:

REISSUE - RESPONSE TO 20-NWP-125 FROM THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

References:

- 1. Ecology letter from J. J. Lyon to B. A. Harkins, ORP, "Re: Completion of Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-045-93," 20-NWP-125, dated July 27, 2020.
- 2. ORP letter from B. A. Harkins to A. K. Smith, Ecology, "Completion of Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-045-93," 20-TF-0032, dated June 12, 2020.

This letter is being reissued with corrected courtesy copy recipients per Ecology's request.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) acknowledges receipt of 20-NWP-125 (Reference 1) specific to the Tri-Party Agreement (TPA) Milestone M-045-93 and its associated report *Single-Shell Tank Liquids Retrieval Study*, RPP-RPT-62098, Rev. 0. As stated in Reference 2, the DOE considers the status of TPA Milestone, M-045-93 to be complete. In accordance with the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order, Section 9.2, "Document Review and Comment Process," and figure 9-1. DOE will need an additional 30-days extension beyond August 27, 2020, in order to respond back to Washington State Department of Ecology's comments to a TPA Primary document and this letter is communicating that extension by the TPA process and role of the TPA Project Manager in Section 4.2.

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The DOE program manager worked with a member of your staff and discussed RPP-RPT-62098, Rev. 0, before 20-TF-0032 was submitted to address Ecology's issues. The comments in Reference 1 were not raised during the meetings with your staff.

If you have any questions, please contact me on (509) 376-3567.

Sincerely,

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